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Fredric Vallquist (Wahlquist) on June 28, 1857, and became the parents of Eva Sophia, Esther Margritta and Charles John, all born at Ostra Ryd, Ostergotland, Sweden, near Stockholm. Mr. Wahlquist worked for farmers near there.

Anna C. Wahlquist and her three children joined the LDS Church, which her husband did not join. He remained in Sweden when his wife came to America, bringing her two youngest children, Esther M., 17 years, and Charles John, 11 years old, with her. She arrived in Utah July 18, 1877.

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William Thacker had one brother. Their father, Aaron, died when the boys were very young and their mother married again. At the age of 21, William married Rachel Tonks. She worked both before and after her marriage for a manufacturing company.

In 1856, they set sail by steerage for America, bringing with them their four living children. Leah was born September 13, 1845; Hannah, born March 22, 1847; Lida, born and died August 25, 1848; Anna Maria, born November 1, 1849; Elizabeth, born May 24, 1851; and Timothy born November 7, 1854. They had joined the LDS Church the year Elizabeth was born. They were six weeks crossing on the ship "Amazon," landing at Boston, Mass., on July 12, 1856. They went to New York, where Eliza Jane was born, November 17, 1856, who died in Philadelphia on November 5, 1857. While in Philadelphia both parents worked in a factory polishing buckles while preparing to come to Utah. The children attended school. Here Isabell was born July 12, 1858, and Sarah Ann was born January 7, 1861, who died November 6, 1861. After living in Philadelphia five years they had earned enough to provide clothing and supplies for themselves and children so were ready to start across the plains for Utah. Before they could start the U.S. officers took Wil-